

AMENDMENT (AMENDMENT UNDER ARTICLE 11 OF THE LAW)

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1 Indication of the International Application

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4 Item to be amended

“Claims”

5 Subject Matter of Amendment

(1) Claim 1, Line 1: “crosslinkable elastomer” is amended to --
crosslinkable elastomer (excluding a fluoro silicone rubber)--.

(2) Claim 2, Line 1: “crosslinkable elastomer” is amended to --
crosslinkable elastomer (excluding a fluoro silicone rubber)--.

6 List of Attached Document

Amended pages of Claims
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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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HIROYUKI TANAKA et al.

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For: **CROSSLINKABLE ELASTOMER COMPOSITION AND MOLDED ARTICLE
PRODUCED FROM SAME**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, and after entry of the Article 34 Amendment, please amend the
above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

**Page 27, please delete the paragraph bridging pages 27 and 28, and replace it with
the following new paragraph:**

A crosslinkable elastomer composition was prepared in the same manner as in Example 5
except that ultra fine powders of spherical quartz silica (1-FX available from Kabushiki Kaisha
Tatsumori, specific surface area: 29.7 m²/g, average particle size: 0.38 μm) which had not been
surface-treated with a silane coupling agent were used instead of the ultra fine powders of
spherical synthetic quartz silica of Example 5 surface-treated with a silane coupling agent.
Further the composition was molded into O-ring in the same manner as in Example 1. With